

FCC amateur Radio Branch

Thank you very much for realizing the needs of the amateur community and taking positive action in allocating the 5 megahertz spectrum for shared amateur use.

As you may be aware the 40 meter band is all but useless during evening and nighttime hours because of the foreign broadcast stations dominant use of the spectrum. There is a gap in coverage due to propagation of the lower frequencies and the 5 MHz frequencies would provide a very nice fill in coverage area not presently available.

I look forward to the commission allocating the 5 MHz spectrum space for amateur use.

Respectfully,

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